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CLERK: Mr. President, very quickly, Education Committee whose Chair is Senator Bohlke reports LB 1206 to General File, LB 995 indefinitely postponed, those signed by Senator Bohlke. Government Committee reports LB 1201 to General File with committee amendments attached, signed by Senator Schimek as Chair. (See pages 733-34 of the Legislative Journal.) And that is all that I have, Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Item 7, Select File, 1993 Speaker priority bills, LB 28, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 28 was discussed yesterday. Enrollment and Review amendments were adopted, as was an amendment by Senator Bernard-Stevens. The first amendment for consideration this morning by the Legislature is one offered by Senator Haberman. Senator, I have a note that the amendment we discussed briefly yesterday, you wish to withdraw and offer another? Mr. President, Senator Haberman would move to amend. (Haberman amendment, FA371, may be found on page 734 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, members of the body, the new amendment is more specific. It says, carrier enforcement personnel can carry firearms on their person during such times as they are working on the interstate highway system or when they are involved in pursuit of persons who leave the interstate systems and travel into a rural area. What this means, members of the body, it takes away the opposition, in my opinion, as to the weight and scale people who are working the interstate and then they stop a semi or a commercial truck vehicle on a rural road and they want to check them for drugs. Under that circumstance, they can carry their firearms. However, if they are on a rural road and they see a grain truck which is very noticeable and different from a commercial semi, they do not have the right to carry their firearm when they get out of their vehicle. What do they do with the firearm? They can set it on the seat of the vehicle. I would like to explain a little bit about what happens when a weight and scale person is pursuing a vehicle down the interstate. The red lights are on, the siren is screaming and they pull the semi over or the truck over, commercial vehicle, and do their thing. Now on a gravel road or